

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 3, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Alfalfa conditions were mostly good to excellent, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on about 83 percent of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Barley conditions were mostly fair to good and Durum Wheat conditions were mostly good. Winter Wheat conditions ranged from very poor to excellent throughout the State. Rangeland conditions varied widely from very poor to good, depending on location. Central Arizona growers had potato movement last week. Western Arizona growers shipped red and green cabbage, kale greens, and watermelons last week.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed	60	55	94	91
Cotton				
Planted.....	75	65	69	73
Emerged	25	11	--	--
Durum Wheat				
Headed	75	70	79	88
Mature	1	NA	NA	NA
Winter wheat				
Emerged	70	65	70	70

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Pasture and Range				
Very poor	11	11	21	23
Poor	10	10	31	22
Fair	36	35	30	28
Good.....	41	42	17	18
Excellent.....	2	2	1	9

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	3	2	NA
Short.....	21	20	36	NA
Adequate	70	70	62	NA
Surplus	9	7	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	--	--	9	NA
Short.....	17	16	34	NA
Adequate	82	83	57	NA
Surplus	1	1	--	NA

NA – not available

(--)- Zero

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Commodity	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay.....	5	1	8	37	49
Barley	--	3	43	40	14
Durum wheat.....	--	1	8	72	19
Winter wheat.....	10	19	24	23	24

(--)- Zero

Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Arizona/Publications/Crop Progress & Condition/2015/AZ Weather 05032015.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2015/AZ_Weather_05032015.pdf)